PROCLAMATION

For the more eaſie Stating and Inbringing of the Pole-money; *and for bringing in Liſts of what is payed of the* Hearth-money.

WILLIAM and MARY by the Grace of GOD, King and Queen of *Great-Britain*, *France* and *Ireland*, Defenders of the Faith, To

Macers of our Privy Councill; Meſſengers at Arms, Our Sheriffs in that part, conjunctly and ſeverally, ſpecially conſtituite, Greeting: Foralmuch as, by the ninth Act of the fourth Seſſion of this Our current Parliament, impoſing the Pole-money, the Lords of Our Privy Councill are impowered to appoint ſuch methods and Courſes as they ſhould judge fit, for ſtating and inbringing of the Pole-money aforeſaid; And to decide and determine finally all queſtions and difficulties undetermined by the ſaid Act, that may ariſe anent the Pole-money therein-ſpecified: Therefore We, with Advice of the Lords of Our Privy Councill, for the more ſpeedy & eaſie Stating and Inbringing the foreſaid Pole-money, in the particular caſes aftermentioned, peremptorly Require and Command all Maſters of Families and Houſe-holders, to give up full and true Liſts under their Hand, of their whole Servants Prentices and Reſidenters within their Families, together with a particular and exact Accompt of their years Fee, due and payable to them at the Term of *Martinmaſs* next to come, and that they deliver in the Liſts ſo ſubſcribed by them to the Clerk of the Commiſſioners of Supply, who is hereby ordained to tranſmit the ſame to the Office of the Pole-money at *Edinburgh*, betwixt and the Day contained in the Act of Parliament, as they will be anſwerable. And We, with Advice foreſaid, Require and Command the ſaids Maſters and Houſe-holders, and others who ſhall be lyable and due in any Fees to their Servants at the ſaid Term of *Martinmaſs* next, to retain in their own hands the twentieth part of the ſaid Years Fee due to their Domeſtick Servants, who are to remove out of their Service at *Martinmaſs* next, where the ſaid Fee is payable in Money, to be made forthcoming for the ſaids Servants Pole-money. And further, We, with Advice foreſaid, Require and Command the Commiſſioners of Supply, and Magiſtrats of Burghs within their ſeverall Iuriſdictions, at their firſt meeting, appointed by the foreſaid Act of Parliament, to make up a Liſt of all the vacant Churches within their bounds, and to Deſign and Condeſcend upon an Heretor living within the ſaid Pariſh, lyable in payment of more then twelve pounds *Scots* of yearly ſtipend to the ſaid Kirk, to be the perſon who ſhall pay the twelve pound of Pole-money, wherein the ſaid vacant Kirk is lyable, and a Receipt thereof from the Farmers of the Pole-money, ſhall be a ſufficient exoneration to him of the Stipend of the ſaid Kirk wherein he is lyable *pro tanto*; And We, with Advice foreſaid, Require and Command the Commiſſioners of Our Supply, and Magiſtrats within Burghs to go Diligently about the making up the Liſts, and ſtating

the Pole-money within their ſeverall Iuriſdictions, conform to the Act of Parliament, hereby Impowering and Authoriſing them to condeſcend upon and deſign an Heretor above an hundred pounds of valued Rent, at leaſt in each Pariſh where no Commiſſioner lives, who being ſo deſigned and certified thereof by the Tackſmen of the Pole-money, their Sub-tackſmen or Collectors; We, with Advice foreſaid Require and Command to proceed and make up the Liſts, and ſtate the Pole-money within the ſaid Pariſh, and report the ſaids Liſts to the Clerk of the Commiſſioners of Supply, who is to tranſmit the ſame, with the Liſts made up by the Commiſſioners of Supply themſelves, to the Office of the Pole-money, kept at *Edinburgh*, betwixt and the Day appointed by the foreſaid Act of Parliament: And the ſeveral Commiſſioners themſelves to make up the Liſts of the ſeverall Pariſhes within which they Dwell, and Tranſmit the ſame in manner foreſaid. And We, with Advice foreſaid, allow poynding of the perſons lyable to Pole-money, conform to their ſeveral proportions within the Burgh of *Edinburgh*, and other Royal-Burghs within this *O*ur Antient Kingdom, according to the Cuſtoms uſed within the ſeveral Burghs, in exacting and upliſting what falls under their Stent Rolls: And for the better Ingathering of the ſaid Pole-money, and for preventing Tumults and Diſorders, or any *O*ppoſition that may be made in putting the Law in Execution for the ſaid Pole-money; We with Advice foreſaid Require and Command the *O*fficers of our Forces to furniſh ſmall Parties to the Tackſmen of the ſaid Pole-money, their Subtackſmen, or Collectors according as they ſhall be deſired by them, in the Shires where the ſaids Forces ly, to give Aſſiſtance and Concurrance to them in the Execution appointed by Law for Ingathering the Pole-money, but no wayes to be imployed in Quartering upon any Perſon for the ſame. And ſeeing the Proſecution of the foreſaid Act of Parliament, and this preſent Proclamation may be a fit occaſion to take up Liſts of what is Payed or Reſting of the Hearth-money Impoſed by Act of Parliament, One thouſand ſix hundreth and ninety years. Therefore We with Advice foreſaid, Require and Command the Commiſſioners of Supply within the ſeveral Pariſhes where they Dwell, and the Heretors deſigned for making up the Liſts of the Pole-money within the Pariſhes where they Dwell, to make up true and full Liſts of all Sums of Money payed by any of Our Liedges for the Hearth-money, wherein they were lyable at the Term of *Candlemaſs*, One thouſand ſix hundreth and ninty one years, by vertue of the Act of Parliament made thereanent, and preſently to Tranſmit the ſame to the Clerks of the Commiſſioners of Supply, who are hereby Required to Tranſmit them to the Clerk of our Theſaury and Exchequer, betwixt and the firſt Day of *O*ctober next to come. OUR WILL IS HEREFORE, and We Charge you ſtrictly and Command, that incontinent theſe Our Letters ſeen, ye paſs to the Mercat-croſs of *Edinburgh*, and to the Mercat-croſſes of the remanent Head-Burghs of the whole Shires of this Kingdom, and there in Our Name and Authority, make publick Intimation of the Premiſſes, that none may pretend Ignorance,

Given under Our Signet at Edinburgh *the ſecond Day of* Auguſt, *And of Our Reign the Sixth Year* 1694. *Per Actum Dominorum Secreti Conſilii.*

GILB: ELIOT, *Cls. Sti. Conſilii.*

GOD Save King WILLIAM and Queen MARY.